Wawona and Glacier Point

Trailheads from these areas lead to the less frequented southern reaches of Yosemite's Wilderness. Many excellent day hikes with breathtaking views of Yosemite Valley begin from the Glacier Point Road. Historic Wawona offers the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias in its quiver of good day hikes. Longer trips into the southern part of the park are generally characterized by rolling, forested terrain, meadows, wildflower extravaganzas, and few crowds. Lakes often provide good fishing for anglers. The spectacular peaks of the Clark Range are the backdrop to many vistas on both short and multi-day hikes. (The Glacier Point Road closes due to snow, usually from sometime in November through late May or early June. There is no overnight parking on the Glacier Point Road beyond Badger Pass after October 15; please plan accordingly.)

Trail Descriptions and Distances (One Way) Wawona

Chilnualna Falls

After a steep hike to the top of Chilnualna Falls, visitors will enjoy the distinctive forests and lakes of the southwestern part of the park. This trail continues to Grouse, Crescent, Royal Arch, Buena Vista, and Chilnualna Lakes.

	Miles	Km.
Chilnualna Falls	5.0	8.0
Deer Camp	11.2	18.0
Bridalveil Creek Campground	14.0	22.5
Johnson Lake	12.7	20.4
Buena Vista Lake	14.4	23.1
Moraine Meadow	19.7	31.7
Merced Pass	21.3	34.2
Chain Lakes	20.6	33.1
Chiquito Pass	18.9	30.4
Fernandez Pass	22.8	36.6

Alder Creek

This infrequently used trail climbs gradually through mixed conifer forest onto ridge tops above the South Fork of the Merced River.

	Miles	Km
Alder Creek Falls	4.0	6.4
Deer Camp	6.1	9.8
Bridalveil Creek Campground	10.3	16.5

Mariposa Grove

This trail meanders through the largest grove of Giant Sequoia trees in the park.

	willes	KM.
Grizzly Giant (no camping)	.1.2	1.9
Wawona Tunnel Tree (no camping)	. 2.8	4.5
Wawona Point (no camping)	. 3.3	5.3

Chiquito Pass

Visitors using this trailhead, which actually begins just south of the park boundary in Sierra National Forest, can access the more remote southern areas of the park, including Chain Lakes, the Buena Vista Crest, and the Clark Range.

	Miles	Km.
Chiquito Pass	. 2.6	4.1
Chain Lakes		
Fernandez Pass	. 11.8	18.9
Red Peak Pass	18.6	29.9

Trail Descriptions and Distances (One Way) Glacier Point

Deer Camp Road

This old fire road, now a trail, takes hikers to Deer Camp, an old California Conservation Corps camp, and to many other secluded destinations in southern Yosemite.

	Miles	Km.
Deer Camp	8.4	13.5
Glacier Point Road	10.4	16.7
Chilnualna Falls	14.5	23.3

Westfall Meadow

This trail begins just past the Bridalveil Campground and provides a pleasant day hike to the beautiful Westfall Meadow.

	Miles	Km.
Westfall Meadow	1.1	1.7
Deer Camp	6.2	9.9

Bridalveil Creek Campground

This trail begins alongside Bridalveil Creek on the Glacier Point Road and heads south toward Ostrander Lake and Wawona.

	Miles	Km.
Ostrander Lake	6.1	9.8
Deer Camp	6.3	10.1
Chilnualna Falls	8.6	13.8
Wawona	13.2	21.2

McGurk Meadow

This trail provides a relaxing hike to the southern rim of Yosemite Valley.

MILES	S KM
McGurk Meadow	1.2
Bridalveil Creek/Pohono Trail	3.0
Dewey Point4.1	

Ostrander Lake/Lost Bear Meadow

This is the most direct trail to Ostrander Lake, which lies nestled in a beautiful cliff lined basin.

	Miles	Km.
Ostrander Lake	6.2	9.1

Mono Meadow

This trail provides access to the Illilouette drainage and beyond to the Panorama Trail or Clark Range.

	Miles	Km.
Nevada Fall (top)	6.9	11.1
Happy Isles		16.5
Merced Pass/Red Peak Pass Junction		19.4
Ottoway Lake	16.0	25.7
Buena Vista Lake	12.6	20.2
Buck Camp	17.4	28.0
Wawona		47.1

Pohono Trail (Glacier Point)

This trail travels west along the south rim of the Valley, leading to beautiful vistas, such as Sentinel Dome, Taft Point, Dewey Point, and Inspiration Point.

	IVIIIes	KM.
Bridalveil Creek	6.5	10.4
Dewey Point	8.7	14.0

Pohono Trail (Taft Point)		
	Miles	Km.
Sentinel Dome	1.2	1.9
Taft Point	1.3	2.0
Wawona Tunnel	10.6	17.0
Glacier Point	2.2	3.5

Glacier Point to Illilouette

This trail follows the Illilouette drainage to destinations in the south end of the park and beyond.

Miles	s Km.
Illilouette Fall	5.7
Merced Pass/Red Peak Junction 12.8	20.0
Ottoway Lake16.7	26.8
Buena Vista Lake13.3	21.4
Wawona	48.4